

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Currently Amended) The bicycle control device according to claim 18,
wherein
the control mechanism includes a shift control mechanism that is arranged and
configured to control movement of a shift control cable upon movement of the control lever.
4. (Currently Amended) The bicycle control device according to claim 18,
wherein
the control mechanism includes a brake control mechanism.
5. (Currently Amended) The bicycle control device according to claim 18,
wherein
the hollow zone ~~is formed in the actuating section and~~ has a plug mounted therein at
the a free end of the actuating section to form a hollow interior area.
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Currently Amended) The bicycle control device according to claim 18,
wherein
the control lever is constructed of cast aluminum.
8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) The bicycle control device according to claim 18 ~~10~~, wherein

the control lever includes a brake cable attachment portion arranged and configured to pull a brake control cable upon movement of the control lever from the rest position to the operating position when a substantially rearward force is applied to the first actuation surface.

13. (Original) The bicycle control device according to claim 12, wherein the control lever is normally biased toward the rest position in order to release the brake control cable after moving the control lever to the operating position and releasing the control lever.

14. (Original) The bicycle control device according to claim 13, wherein the control mechanism includes a shift control mechanism that is arranged and configured to control movement of a shift control cable upon movement of the control lever along the second plane.

15. (Currently Amended - Withdrawn) The bicycle control device according to claim 18 ~~10~~, wherein

the control mechanism includes a piston and cylinder structure ~~in order to actuate a hydraulic brake mechanism when a substantially rearward force is applied to the first actuation surface.~~

16. (Currently Amended - Withdrawn) The bicycle control device according to claim 15, wherein

the control lever is normally biased toward the rest position ~~in order to release the hydraulic brake mechanism after moving the control lever to the operating position and releasing the control lever.~~

17. (Original- Withdrawn) The bicycle control device according to claim 16, wherein

the control mechanism includes a shift control mechanism that is arranged and configured to control movement of a shift control cable upon movement of the control lever along the second plane.

18. (Previously Presented) A bicycle control device comprising:
a mounting portion adapted to be coupled to a bicycle handlebar;
a control mechanism coupled to the mounting portion; and
a control lever operatively coupled to the control mechanism to move along a first plane between a rest position and an operating position and along a second plane substantially perpendicular to the first plane between the rest position and a first position vertically spaced from the rest position,

the control lever including an attachment section and an actuating section extending from the attachment section, the attachment section being operatively coupled to the control mechanism, the actuating section having a first actuation surface extending in a direction substantially perpendicular to the first plane and an inclined second actuation surface facing substantially away from the first actuation surface downwardly and towards the handlebar, the inclined second actuation surface extending in a direction intersecting the first and second planes,

the inclined second actuation surface having a transverse height that is at least one-half of the transverse height of the first actuation surface with the transverse heights being measured in directions perpendicular to the first plane,

the actuating section having a hollow zone formed therein that extends axially along the actuating section of the control lever, the hollow zone being a blind bore that is open at a free end of the actuating section of the control lever.

19. (Previously Presented) The bicycle control device according to claim 18, wherein

the control lever is constructed of a cast material that is drilled in order to form the hollow zone.

20. (Cancelled)